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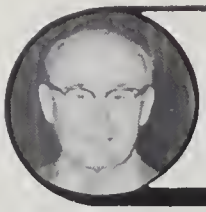


President's Page

William O. Wisslead, CSNA 14-3

The 55th Semi-Annual Convention of CSNA is now history, an event that many will remember for a long time as another outstanding Cal-State Convention. As your President, it was a pleasure greeting all you members who were in attendance; and for those who couldn't attend, we'll look forward to seeing you at one of the future Cal-State Conventions. From the time of my arrival at the U. S. Grant Hotel in San Diego on Thursday evening until departure time on Sunday evening, the days were filled with activities. At most times the Bourse Room was well attended, and the Exhibit Room supplied many interesting displays for viewing by those in attendance. There were so many outstanding displays I know the judges were taxed to come up with final decisions. The Friday Luncheon, the Awards Banquet, and the Sunday Morning Brunch were all fun-filled occasions, interspersed with the more serious moments of the three day Convention. It was my pleasure at the Banquet to present Cal-State's Medal of Merit Award to our Editor, Barbara Hyde. You will read elsewhere in this issue a more detailed report of the presentation. All in all, it was a good Convention, our appreciation goes to those of the San Diego County Inter-Club Numismatic Council for a job well done.

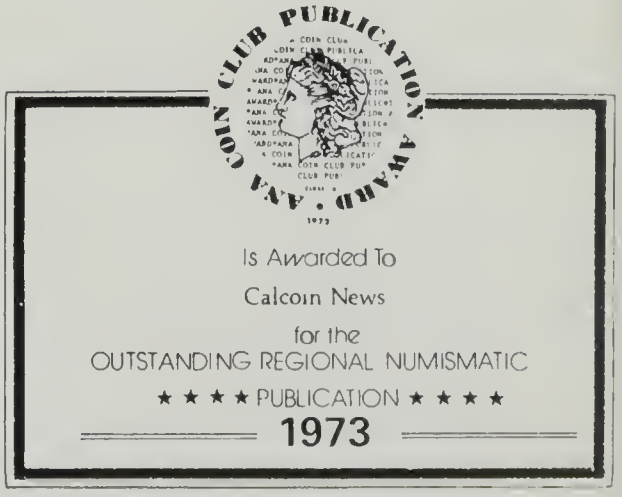
You have probably already noticed included in this issue are the two forms needed for requesting exhibit space, along with the hotel reservation card, for the 56th Semi-Annual Convention at the Jack Tar Hotel in San Francisco in April, 1975. In the past, these forms have been included in the issue that came out just prior to the Convention. Delays beyond the control of the Editor were causing late delivery of Calcoin News, consequently the exhibit forms and reservation cards were not being received early enough for them to be returned on time. Many of our members were making inquiries into this delay, with good reason. At the meeting of the Executive Board in San Diego, the decision was made to include these forms in both issues between conventions, so that those who are interested will have this material in their hands in good time.

This past September saw the 3rd Annual Counterfeit Class of the California Numismatic Educational Seminar. It was a three day session where forty students, numismatists from several parts of the country, were introduced to methods for the detection of counterfeit coins. This course is held at the Kellogg-West Center for Continuing Education on the campus of the California State Polytechnic University at Pomona. One unit of college credit is offered to each student attending this class. California State Numismatic Association is proud of its part in being one of four sponsoring organizations of this Seminar. The next three day class is planned for August of 1975. A Coin Grading Class is held in conjunction with the Seminar.

Another nationally recognized numismatic event is the coming 7th Annual Symposium sponsored by CSNA. It will be held in San Diego on March 8. Details are provided elsewhere in this issue. There will be four outstanding numismatic speakers for your educational enlightment. Albert L. Baber is the General Chairman, and Maurice M. Gould is again the moderator. CSNA is proud to provide this annual event to further education in the numismatic field.

Books are an important addition to anyone's library, and this includes numismatic books. From the voluminous purchase of a numismatic book inventory recently acquired by CSNA, several were added to the library. They are made available to Cal-State members, and our librarian, Dorothy Beaulieu, will soon be issuing an addendum to the catalog, apprising you of the additional books available. Also, there were many duplicates of books already in the library, included in that purchase. These books are now being made available to you — the members, at half the regular retail value. A partial selling list is included in this issue, supplying you with the necessary information for ordering.

And now, I want to take this opportunity to wish you, one and all, a Very Merry Christmas, and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.



Editorially

Happiness is being surprised beyond your wildest dreams . . .

Happiness is being at the CSNA convention banquet when the president, unexpectedly, summons you to the podium . . .

Happiness is receiving the Medal of Merit . . .

Happiness is displaying such a cherished medal on your desk!

Happiness means various things to various people. To some it is money, health, peace of mind, having friends or just a good time. Many people endeavor to find happiness by striving directly for it and fail to realize that it often comes as a by-product of achievement and purposeful living.

Perhaps more happiness comes from worthwhile work than from any other source. It is what we do and give of ourselves that brings lasting happiness. Idle people are rarely happy. Much of our happiness or deep satisfaction in life depends upon the faith people have in us and the faith we have in them. I believe the Medal of Merit was given because of the faith you have in me. And I have worked for the CSNA because of the faith I have in the CSNA . . . a truly great group of numismatists.

Happiness is an individual and highly personalized matter. It is something that each person must find for himself. But, for me, the greatest happiness is receiving a sincere expression of appreciation when it is least expected. Working on the Calcoin News has been a labor of love and to know others appreciate that effort makes me extremely happy. The ANA awards were wonderful endorsement, but receiving the CSNA Medal of Merit really takes my breath away. Not for long however, as . . . Happiness is being able to say, "Thank you, CSNA, for bringing me such happiness!"

PUBLISHERS 2c WORTH

Perhaps this should be changed this time to "Three Cents" as the subject deals with a quantity of three.

It's been a great year to see my sweetheart (your editor) honored as chairman of the 1974 U. S. Assay Commission in Philadelphia, followed in Miami with Calcoin News receiving the 1973 "Outstanding Regional Publication Award," and then climaxed in San Diego when she received the CSNA "Medal of Merit." My compliments, Barbara! A well-deserved triple-treat!

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FRASER'S HANDICAPPED BUFFALO

By Frank Strazzarino, CSNA 2057

In song, "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer" may be the most famous reindeer of them all; but when it comes to buffalo, the 1937-D three-legged buffalo nickel is, in my opinion, the most famous buffalo of them all.

Little did that famous sculptor, James Earle Fraser, know when he labored tediously perfecting the buffalo nickel design that the imperfectly struck coins would capture the limelight. It must have been quite frustrating, after having made sure that all the legs were portrayed in precise detail, to have those coins which were struck with only three of the four legs showing to be the ones most sought after by collectors! However, this fine detail has proven most valuable in separating the genuine coins from counterfeits, and from those which have been altered from perfectly struck coins.

The error variety was caused by a broken or clogged die which was undoubtedly destroyed after the imperfection was discovered. This die also had many design features entirely different from the die used for the regular four-legged variety. The detail in the hind leg, in particular, has stymied most counterfeiters, and the entire reverse has many definite and distinct characteristics which are known to any knowledgeable buffalo nickel collector. Thus the fake or altered coins can be easily detected.

You can identify the genuine specimens as follows:

1. The entire buffalo on the three-legger is slightly smaller than on the other buffalo nickels.
2. The "E Pluribus Unum" is smaller.
3. The bottoms of the initial letters "P" and "U" in "Pluribus Unum" are well clear of the buffalo's back; on other buffalo nickels they almost touch.
4. The beard is narrower than on the four-legged buffalo. Its tip ends are sharp pointed and the right one hangs lower than the left; on all other buffalo the tips are more blunt and nearly even in length.
5. The area of hair in front of the animal's lower shoulder is narrower than on the others.
6. The hoof below the missing leg is a weak strike; on the others it is well struck.
7. The line of the underbody is quite even as it joins the front leg; on the others, a narrow sunken area appears.
8. On the three-leggers, a series of lumps in the metal form an arc in the area between the upper hind and lower front legs; this does not appear on the others.
9. The tip below the belly is relatively long and narrow, slants back toward the hind legs and appears to have a ball end; on the other buffalo the tip is much shorter, wider and squared at the end.
10. The hind legs are well formed and proportioned except that they are not fully rounded, which gives them a somewhat moth-eaten appearance; on the others the legs are fully rounded, thicker and more stocky.

This coin is one of the rare coins of recent mintage. While the number struck is unknown, it is thought to have been comparatively small. One of the reasons collectors have always liked this celebrated mint error is that it can be readily seen with the naked eye. A magnifying glass or microscope is not needed as is usually the case in most die errors.

This coin was once common in change throughout certain areas of the country. They were found in Omaha, Nebraska, in Denver,

Colorado and in some parts of Idaho and Montana. Although most states did not receive any at all, comparatively few had been bagged for shipment by the mint before the die error was discovered and, in those areas, some found their way into general circulation.

Numismatic author Robert L. Clarke, wrote in his World Coin Commentary column of Dec. 1, 1970 in Numismatic News Weekly: "While living in Denver I had a good thing going with a stamp and coin dealer on the West Coast. He allowed me six bits in trade on every three-legged buffalo nickel. This coin was first reported from Omaha, where a banker found several rolls and asked $2.00 for a single specimen. He believed he had the market cornered. About that time we found them in general circulation in Denver. Would you believe that I even received specimens in change at coin and stamp shops? The usual take was three or four a week."

There have been other die errors of the same nature in this series. Three-legged buffalo are known in the 1935 and 1936-D strikes. Two-legged and even five-legged buffalo have been reported. None of these, however, has attained the same fame, captured the serious interest of collectors or been as widely publicized. This noted lack of enthusiasm for the other die errors is attributed to, first, the amount discovered has been very small and therefore beyond the hope of attainment. Second, they were usually discovered many years after being minted and the information as to the dies used and other pertinent factors in their striking is no longer readily obtainable. Third, quite often the coins had been in circulation for years before being discovered and their condition is not as good as desired. Fourth, the authenticity of some of these so-called die errors is certainly not beyond question and in other cases is extremely doubtful.

The buffalo nickel series was minted between the years 1913 and 1938 at the Philadelphia, Denver and San Francisco mints. The mint marks, D for Denver and S for San Francisco, are found beneath the E and C of FIVE CENTS on the reverse. In 1913, the first year of issue, there were two distinct varieties; the first showing the buffalo on a mound and the second with the base redesigned to a thinner straight line and the date recessed. The capital F below the date stands for Fraser, the designer.

The buffalo was modeled after "Black Diamond" in the New York Zoological Garden. This majestic animal lived to the age of 22 years. In 1915 this 1,550-pound animal was sold for $700.00, was then slaughtered and sold for restaurant steaks. His magnificent head, however, was mounted and preserved.

Fraser designed the opposite side of this nickel employing three different Indians as models. Two of the three Indians who definitely posed for Fraser were John Big Tree, a Seneca, and Two Moons, a Cheyenne. Although other Indians have made claim to being the third model, both the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Bureau of the Mint concur that the third Indian was called Two Guns Whitecalf.

James Earle Fraser was born on November 4, 1876 at Winona, Minnesota. He was termed one of America's most gifted and prolific sculptors. In 1894 he studied at the Art Institute of Chicago and also later in Paris. He served as assistant to Augustus St. Gaudens from 1898 to 1902 and then became an instructor in art in New York City at the Art Students League from 1906 to 1911. Many of his massive works can be found in New York City and Washington, D.C. He designed his famous statue "The End of the Trail" when he was only 17 years old. He won a prize for this work and it was then displayed at the 1915 Panama-Pacific Exposition in San Francisco. He also designed the World War I Victory Medal of the U. S. Navy. He died on October 11, 1953 in Westbrook, Connecticut.

HISTORIAN'S COMMENTS

Some time ago the California State Library wrote to me requesting help in securing some missing issues of Calcoin News. We solicited the help of the membership and were able to send them all the issues desired except for one. And this one missing issue is being copied and sent to them so that there will be no void in the sequence of issues in their library. I would like to thank everyone who assisted in sending copies to them.

We still have a good supply of most of the back issues of Calcoin News. If any members wish any of these, please write to me at 3143 Neal Avenue, San Jose, California 95117. The price is a dollar per issue. We have a good supply of all the issues from 1970 on and prior to that date you may consult the Summer 1970 issue, page 81, and the Fall 1970 issue, page 100, for a list of the early issues still available.

The historian's file includes a complete history of each convention. We are constantly on the alert for clippings, pictures, ribbons and any memorabilia pertaining to our past and current conventions. We encourage our members to send any of the above-mentioned items plus any issues of Calcoin News. We are especially interested in copies from the years 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953 and 1960.

U.S. Banking Since 1781

By Dwight Safford, CSNA 422

Did you know that banking was established in the United States before a system of coinage was legislated?

At the urging of Robert Morris, Superintendent of Finance, the first bank established in the United States was the Bank of North America in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, chartered by the Continental Congress in 1781. It was planned by Robert Morris in order to give financial support to the revolution.

Somewhat earlier a number of patriotic Philadelphia citizens had organized the so-called Bank of Pennsylvania, consisting of private subscriptions to provide supplies for the Revolutionary Army. The Bank of North America took over the Bank of Pennsylvania's foreign bills and assumed its claims against the Federation.

Capitalized at $400,000, of which the Government subscribed $250,000, the Bank of North America rendered valuable service during the troubled years of the Revolution by providing much of the finances to wage the war. There had been much doubt that the Continental Congress had the power to charter a bank, so a charter had been secured from the State of Pennsylvania in 1782. In actuality, the Bank operated under this State Charter until 1864 when it entered the national bank system.

In 1784 the bank of Massachusetts, located in Boston, was chartered by the State of Massachusetts, and the Bank of New York at New York City began business under articles of association drawn by Alexander Hamilton, but it did not receive a charter until 1791.

The first Bank of the United States was chartered by Congress in 1791, on lines laid down by Alexander Hamilton, the first Secretary of the Treasury, as part of a general scheme to support the public credit of the new Government. The bank, patterned after the Bank of England, was intended to provide a depository for public money, to act as fiscal agent of the Government and to be a regulator of the currency. Capitalized at $10,000,000, the Government was to subscribe $2,000,000, payable in ten annual installments with interest at 6%. The balance was open to public subscription. The Bank was allowed to issue notes which were legal payment for all debts to the United States, hence were legal tender.

The central institution of the bank was located in Philadelphia, and branches were established in New York, Boston, Baltimore, Washington, New Orleans, Charleston and Savannah. From the beginning the United States Bank was successful. It carried possibly two-thirds of all government money deposited in banks, it made loans to the Government whenever requested, it collected bonds of importers for customs duties, and made transfers of money at the order of the Treasury without charge. It refused to receive the notes of state banks which did not promptly redeem such notes in specie and so became a powerful influence in establishing a sound currency. It loaned to private individuals and firms, and paid dividends for twenty years at an average rate of 8%. Within four years after its establishment the bank had loaned to the Government $6,200,000, nearly two-thirds of its entire capital. The loan of so large a proportion of its funds crippled its service to commerce and industry and made it difficult to advance temporary loans to the Government. The bank requested the Government to repay the loans. As there was no market for government bonds it became necessary for the Government to sell its holdings of bank stock. These sales extended over a period of five years and in 1802 the Government ceased to be a stockholder. In addition to dividends averaging 8 and 3/8% the Government made a profit of $671,860.

In 1809 the bank petitioned Congress for a renewal of the Charter. The bill to renew the bank's charter was defeated by a majority of one vote in the House, and a tie in the Senate. As a result, the bank went into liquidation in 1811. The assets were purchased by Stephan Girad, the merchant financier of Philadelphia who organized the Girad Bank with a capital of $1,200,000. The stockholders of the Bank of the United States received $434 for each $400 share.

The War of 1812 with England, the liquidation of the United States Bank, and the drain of specie to pay European investors, created a condition of financial chaos so great that the Government defaulted on the interest of the public debt. In this emergency, Secretary of the Treasury Dallas proposed a National Bank be created and in 1816 the second Bank of the United States was established, with a charter modeled after that of the first Bank of the United States. Capital was $35,000,000, of which one fifth was subscribed by the Government. The Bank was to act as fiscal agent of the Government in transferring and disbursing public funds. The Bank restored order and

soon brought about the resumption of specie payment. For the first few years the bank was shamefully mismanaged and narrowly escaped disaster. In 1819, Langdon Cheves of South Carolina was made president of the bank, and under his administration and that of his successor, Nicholas Biddle, the bank gained public confidence both at home and abroad, enjoying a decade of great prosperity.

The Bank of the United States was at the height of its popularity and influence when Andrew Jackson became President of the United States in 1829. Through no fault of its own it became involved in a political struggle which finally brought about its downfall. In 1832, Congress renewed the bank's Charter, but President Jackson vetoed the bill. In 1833, Jackson caused the Government deposits to be withdrawn from the bank and to be deposited in state banks, and the cancellation of the Government's stock holdings was requested. Before its federal charter expired the bank obtained a state charter from the legislature of Pennsylvania and reorganized with the same capital, $35,000,000. The panic of 1837 forced the bank to suspend its operations and again in 1841 it again suspended operations, this time going into liquidation. Its creditors were finally paid in full, but the stockholders received nothing.

After the removal of the public funds from the United States Bank, the state banks were used as government depositories and fiscal agents. This did not work well and after the panic of 1837, when most of these banks suspended operation, the Government decided to keep the public funds in its own possession. Accordingly a law was passed in 1840 establishing the independent treasury system. In 1841 this law was repealed, a national bank was proposed and vetoed by President Tyler. In 1846 Congress reestablished the independent treasury system and from that time until the Civil War the Government made its collections and disbursements entirely in specie and kept its funds in the Treasury. Changes were made in its operation during and after the Civil War which brought the Treasury back into closer relationship with the banking and credit system of the nation.

When the Civil War broke out, the Government was compelled to turn to the banks for help. Instead of meeting war expenses by taxation, it resorted to loans, which could be obtained quickly from banks. The banks of New York, Philadelphia and Boston agreed to advance $150,000,000 in gold on three-year notes bearing interest at 7.30 per cent to be reimbursed from the proceeds of bond sales, and they also undertook to market the bonds when issued.

In August of 1861 the Government began issuing non-interest bearing notes payable on demand at the sub-treasurys. Heavy issuance of these notes caused the banks to suspend specie payments and then the government having no adequate fund of specie also suspended specie payment. In 1862 the Government resorted to the issuance of legal tender notes without interest and with no provision for redemption. The result was a general disappearance of coin, a great depreciation of paper currency, and a large increase in the cost of carrying on the war.

This caused Congress to create a national banking system, first proposed in 1861 by Secretary of the Treasury Chase. Its purpose was to provide a market for Government bonds, so as to replenish the public Treasury, and to provide a safe and uniform national currency. The original Act was defective in many respects and in 1864, it was completely revised. Then in 1865 Congress passed a law imposing a tax of 10 per-cent on all notes issued by state banks. As this provision made it impossible for state banks to issue notes, their conversion into national banks became general. A national currency, safe and uniform, was thus created.

In 1907 a financial crises of unusual severity caused Congress to seek a method to provide machinery by which varying demands for credit and money by the public could be met. In December of 1913 legislation was enacted creating a Federal Reserve System. The principle function of the Federal Reserve is to regulate the flow of credit and money. Other functions include the performance of services for the member banks of the Federal Reserve System, the United States Government, and the public. These services chiefly consist of handling member bank reserve accounts, furnishing currency for circulation and making currency shipments, facilitating the clearance and collection of checks, effecting telegraphic transfer of funds; acting as fiscal agents, custodians, and depositaries for the Treasury and other Governmental agencies; and collecting and interpreting information bearing on the economic and credit situation. In addition, the Federal Reserve examines and supervises State member banks, obtains reports of condition from them, and cooperates with other supervisory authorities in the development of policies conducive to a system of strong individual banks.

Today we find that the banking which started before Congress initiated a monetary system of coinage, and designating itself as the sole power over its control, has constantly been given the task of regulating and controlling its value. Today the Federal Reserve System Bank has the full power and control of the United States' finances.

The SLATE OF CANDIDATES

The policy of the California State Numismatic organization is to maintain a balance of officers located in the northern and the southern portions of the state. With this in mind the nominating committee consisting of Everett Phillips, Al Baber and Ralph Mitchell made their recommendations at the San Diego convention meeting. However, floor nominations were made for several candidates located in southern California. When you receive your ballot you are encouraged to note the location of each candidate and to vote so that a balance is maintained with approximately the same number of officers located in each half of the state.

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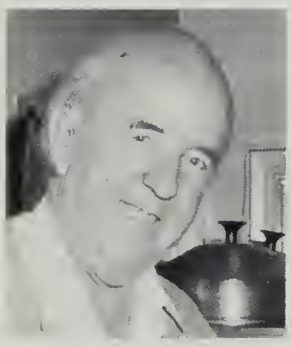

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For President . . .

BRYAN BURKE of San Bernardino is presently curator of CSNA. Bryan's coin activities include awards for National Coin Week, the Heath Literary Award, forum speaker for ANA, CSNA and other coin groups. He has served CSNA as a master of ceremonies, general chairman for a convention, symposium speaker, and curator for over a decade.

For Vice President . . . (vote for one)

STUART EDGERTON of San Diego is the present treasurer of CSNA. Retired from the U. S. Navy he is presently studying for a law degree. He served as assistant general chairman of the ANA's 77th Anniversary Convention in San Diego in 1969 and as assistant general chairman of the CSNA 55th Semi-Annual Convention in San Diego.

DON THRALL is a resident of Berkeley and was general chairman of the 1961 CSNA spring convention. He conducted the educational forum at the 50th semi-annual convention. He has written many numismatic articles and several have been published in Calcoin News. He is always active in CSNA conventions. Don is presently vice president of CSNA.

For Secretary . . .

CHARLES COLVER of Covina has been secretary of CSNA since 1965 and previously served as assistant editor of Calcoin News. He was awarded the CSNA "Medal of Merit" in 1970 and has received three silver literary award medals. He has served on numerous committees. He was a member of the 1974 U. S. Assay Commission.

For Treasurer . . . (vote for one)

RUTH PHILLIPS of Fresno is currently a CSNA director. She regularly handles post convention publicity. Ruth was the first woman elected president of Pacific Coast Numismatic Society. She served as general chairman of the 50th semi-annual convention and has been appointed general chairman of the spring 1976 convention. She is editor for Fresno Numismatic society.

WALTER SNYDER of Canoga Park served as bourse chairman for the 53rd semi-annual convention in Anaheim. He was responsible for the U. S. P. S. having a station at the convention in Los Angeles, providing special cancellations. He has served as an officer of many numismatic organizations including president of NASC and CES.

For Board Members . . . (vote for six)

VINCENT BERETTA of Sacramento is presently a member of the CSNA board. He has served on the exhibiting and judging committees for several conventions and has conducted exhibiting forums. He has won Best-of-Show several times. He is currently trying to promote a permanent display of Sacramento material in a Sacramento museum.

JAMES BETTON of Santa Monica is on the current board of CSNA. He was awarded the Medal of Merit for his outstanding service and work on the book, "Money Talks." He is bourse coordinator of the CSNA, an officer in several clubs, and a prolific writer not only on numismatic but other subjects. Jim is active with the CSNA slide program.

CATHERINE EDGERTON of San Diego is a past president of the San Diego Numismatic Society. She was general chairman of the CSNA 55th Semi-Annual Convention in San Diego. She is an active exhibitor at most of the coin conventions. She has prepared at least one exhibit each month since September 1965.

GORDON GREENE of Anaheim is presently a member of the CSNA Board. Coin clubs and organizations are familiar with his Galaxie Products Company as he provides trophys for them. He exhibits and has won many Best-of-Show awards. Gordon is past president of NASC and currently on the committee for the ANA convention in Los Angeles in 1975.

ALBERT HALL of Colton is active in several coin clubs, serving presently as president of Redlands Coin Club. He was general chairman of San Bernardino Club shows in 1974 and 1975. He has had several articles published and won CSNA and NASC Literary Awards. He gives talks to local club meetings and is a member of the San Bernardino Bi-Centennial Commission.

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JAMES HUNT of San Diego served as exhibit chairman of the CSNA 55th Semi-Annual Convention in San Diego. He is active in the San Diego Numismatic Society Interclub Council.

BARBARA HYDE of Santa Ana is current editor of Calcoin News, which won ANA's "Outstanding Regional Numismatic Publication" award the past two years. She has designed and sculptured medals for CSNA including the 53rd convention medal and the Old San Francisco Mint medals. She served as chairman of 1974 Assay Commission and just received CSNA's Medal of Merit.

JERRY KROEGER of Berkeley is an assistant editor of Calcoin News, being responsible for the "North of the Tehachapis" column and reports of conventions held in northern California, where he is very active in numismatics.

ETHEL LENHERT of Covina is president of the Upland Coin Club and an officer in several other coin clubs. She has been appointed to serve as general chairman of the CSNA 61st Semi-Annual Convention. Ethel has exhibited and won many trophies. She is presently serving as CSNA club representative to NASC.

FRANK STRAZZARINO of San Francisco is presently a member of the board, filling out the term of the late Roy Hill. He is active on the Old San Francisco Mint Restoration Committee and has served in all offices of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society, presently on the Board of Governors. Frank has had several numismatic articles published.

Curator's Comments

By Bryan O. Burke, Jr., CSNA 2-1

One outstanding feature of the San Diego convention was the adequate display area. For the first time in years, the curator was able to display some of the Californiana collection which tells the history of coin activities in this state.

Reminiscence was the order of the day as new and old collectors viewed the tokens, medals, and wooden money recalling the past of coin events in California. The fun of assembling the material by the curator was matched by the thrill of those seeing many of the keepsakes of the past before them. No one had ever seen the gold, silver, and bronze CSNA presidential metals together before this time. The three cases housing these medallions received many comments which reinforced the feeling of debt we owe these dedicated men.

Receiving similar attention were the ANA ribbons for California conventions. The usual train of conversation ran from the recollections of the great past events to hopes of even a better one next year.

The true value of numismatics was illustrated by the great amount of time members spent viewing the tokens issued for club activities such as shows, anniversaries, and special events. These items recalled historic events to those who had been present just as impressively as commemorative coins recall historic actions we have studied.

There seemed to have been something for everyone in the eleven cases. The reception made it clear that this exhibit should be continued.

JIM BETTON sent in an addition to the movie money section. FRED COOPS JR. continues to add to the numismatic history of San Bernardino with many new Berdoo items. The EL CERRITO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE placed one of their 50th anniversary medals in the collection. DON THRALL wins the honors this quarter for several packets of valuable historic donations. His gifts cover the field from old checks to modern medallions.

These people are entitled to a warm feeling of pride for insuring the preservation of the numismatic history of this state.

IN MEMORIUM

Wm. J. Sexton, age 78, affectionately known as "Bill", passed away in Santa Maria on October 24, 1974. Bill was born in Chicago on March 1, 1896. He is survived by one stepdaughter, Ms. Edna Logan of Santa Maria, one brother, Edward Sexton of South Bend, Indiana, and several nieces and nephews.

Some seven years ago an infection hospitalized him and one leg was amputated. Three months later the other leg was amputated, and he remained in the Continana Convalescent Hospital in Santa Maria until his death, by pneumonia, on October 24th.

Bill was an optimist, a true collector, and a friend to all who knew him. His passing will leave a void in the hearts of many Cal-State members. "Adios Amigos," as Bill was want to say.

R. A. Mitchell

7th Annual CSNA Educational Symposium

to be held in San Diego, March 8

This year's CSNA symposium will be held in San Diego for the first time. For several years the San Diego group has chartered a bus for the trip to the event in Long Beach. This year a bus will be chartered in Los Angeles with stops at Long Beach and Santa Ana.

Al Baber, chairman of the arrangements, has selected the Silver Room of the Convention and Performing Arts Center at 202 "C" Street as the location. For those who wish to spend the night it is within walking distance of both the Westgate Plaza Hotel and the U. S. Grant Hotel, where the recent CSNA 55th Semi-Annual Convention was held.

Maurice Gould will be the moderator and is making the arrangements for the day's speakers. One of the speakers will be from a foreign country. All four of the speakers will be authorities in their field. Dr. Jon Sutherland, of San Diego, will be one of the speakers. He participated in the educational forum of the 55th Semi-Annual Convention held recently in San Diego.

This is one of the outstanding educational events of the numismatic year and always enjoyed by all who attend. Arrangements for both the noon lunch and the evening banquet have not been formalized as yet, but San Diego is noted for its delicious food. Al Baber, as chairman of arrangements, assures everyone that it will be something special.

Philatelic-Numismatic Covers designed and executed by Ed McClung were again sold at the San Diego convention. These represent the only revenue received for the financial support of the symposium. If you wish to purchase one of these PNCovers, they are available from the secretary (address in Calcoin News masthead) for $3.50 each. The current cover is the tenth of the series produced to support the symposium.

San Diego Inter Club Numismatic Council

55th Semi-Annual Convention of the
California State Numismatic Association

November 1 - 3, 1974

U. S. Grant Hotel, 4th & Broadway, San Diego

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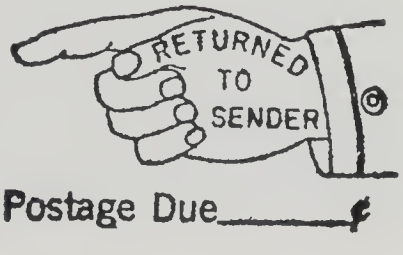

Who's Who in Cal-State Numismatics

RICHARD S. YEOMAN

CSNA 1 - 28

"Dean of Whitman's Numismatic Guides"

Life member 1 - 28 is not a native of California, but seldom does he miss a CSNA semi-annual convention. He and his wife, Marion, are both natives of Wisconsin and have lived there for many years, so attending the functions of CSNA has always involved trips of some consequence. However, they are "neighbors" now, as they are just north of the Mexican border in Green Valley, Arizona for six months of the year while the snow blows up north, and the other six months they are back in Racine, Wisconsin while the summer sun beats down in Arizona.

Dick and Marion were childhood sweethearts. In fact, Marion says that when Dick came to take her out, he often became so involved in conversation with her father that she sometimes wondered just who he came to see! They have one daughter and also are grandparents.

Dick is probably best known to the world because of some of the products of the Whitman Publishing Company. He is responsible for the birth of the famous "Red Book," the "Blue Book" and the "Brown Book." These books about U. S. and foreign coins have done much to promote the hobby, serving as standard guide references and aiding "budding" collectors and numismatists alike.

In 1932 Dick Yeo, better known as Yeoman, started working for the Whitman Publishing Company in sales and advertising. The biggest seller then was children's books and games. It wasn't until 1940 that Whitman made plans for a catalog of coin values with Yeoman in charge of the project. By 1942 the "Blue Book" was published. According to Dick, it met with moderate success. But this was the beginning and Whitman had the foresight to realize that serious collectors would want a book with more detail. Thus was born the "Red Book," a fantastically-successful book formally known as "A Guide Book of United States Coins." The philosophy of setting the prices by surveys and averages developed slowly, but dealers became more and more enthused and now ask to be included in the survey. The "Blue Book" has reached its 32nd edition and the "Red Book" is in its 28th edition. The "Brown Book" is newer in concept and in its 11th edition. It's formal name is "Catalog of Modern World Coins," and its growth has actually led to a fourth book, white in color, titled "Current Coins of the World."

As with many numismatists, Dick Yeoman began his collecting interests with stamps. But the transition from one to the other is logical and an easy one to make. His father had the usual pouch of two-cent pieces and 20-cent pieces which intrigued him, but really did not whet his interest until he began working for Whitman Publishing Company.

Being close to values and grading of coins has given Dick a different view of the hobby than experienced by most people. As a result, he collects historical coins; particularly those based on people, places and events. He is an active collector and as with most collectors, has discovered the aspect that most appeals to him. He is the only collector of coins in the family . . . but Marion collects "friendships" with the many people she meets at the conventions.

One of the outstanding and memorable incidents in the life of "Mr. Red Book," as he is often affectionately and respectfully called, occurred a few years ago when he was chosen to serve on the Assay Commission. He still

carries the telegram informing him that the President had appointed him to the oldest commission of the United States Government, the Assay Commission. (This primarily consists of an annual meeting on the second Wednesday of each February with a new commission of 24 members appointed each year.)

Art is one of the mainstays of Dick Yeoman's life. He began with Whitman in their advertising department and has always had a flair for designing and painting. Recently the Organization of International Numismatics selected his design as their logo. It now appears on their magazine and all of their other related items.

Traveling has made up a good portion of Dick's life. He remarked at the recent CSNA convention that you probably couldn't find a better pair of guides to Israel than he and Chet Krause, publisher of Numismatic News weekly. They first became familiar with the country before so much commercialism took over, and have been back many times. Dick and Marion often expand their trips to various conventions so that they can enjoy the respective nearby areas, such as in Hawaii, Alaska, Canada and other interesting states and countries.

To be the author of the "Bible" of the coin collecting hobby brings with it many side aspects. Time and time again Dick Yeoman has been a convention visitor, a forum speaker, and then a judge of the exhibits. He is extremely well-qualified, conscientious, impartial and generous about serving.

CSNA is proud to have Dick Yeoman as a member and delighted with his and Marion's presence at its conventions. Now we're even happier to have them as neighbors in "next door" Arizona, almost residents of California, and certainly an active part of Cal-State numismatics.

2 Additional San Francisco Cable Car Centennial Medals

By Steve Album, CSNA 1182

To date, two different medals commemorating the centennial of the cable car in San Francisco have been published, one struck for the Pacific Coast Chapter of the Railway and Locomotive Historical Society by Medallic Art Company (Calcoin News, Fall 1973 pp. 104-105) and the other by the United States Assay Office at San Francisco (Calcoin News, Summer 1974, p. 75.) Two additional pieces, both private issues, have since come to my attention.

The first piece shows a rather handsomely designed head of Andrew S. Hallidie, inventor of the cable car, on the obverse, and a view of a cable car ascending to the top of the crest, with Alcatraz Island in the background, on the reverse. The medal was produced in bronze and silver, both with an antique finish. According to information received from the issuer, one thousand pieces were produced in bronze and sold for $1.50 each, while only 50 were coined in silver and sold for $10.50 each. The silver pieces are not numbered, but have the letters 'SS' (Sterling Silver) incused on the edge. The medal was issued by a gift and souvenir shop opposite Fisherman's Wharf, known as Sea Captain's Chest. I do not know who struck the medals.

The second piece shows a cable car on the obverse, with the words 1873-1973 above, and "100th anniversary" below. The reverse shows a front-end view of a cable car, with the inscription, "San Francisco, Everybody's Favorite City." The piece is struck in bronze, heavily gilt, and was struck abroad, probably in Hong Kong or Taiwan. It is offered for sale by a couple of souvenir shops near Powell Street terminal at Market & Powell, and at various prices between $4.95 and $6.95. With a little bargaining, I was able to acquire my specimen for $3.00! I feel that is still a high price for a piece of such plain and unimpressive design and inferior quality. The medal is also sold with an attached chain, embedded in Lucite, and incorporated into other tourist items. The quantity struck is not known.

Both of these issues are purely commercial ventures, with the proceeds pocketed by the issuers, unlike the issues published earlier in Calcoin News.

Convention Highlights

THE 55TH SEMI-ANNUAL CONVENTION

By Nona Moore, CSNA 1573

Headquartered at the U. S. Grant Hotel in beautiful downtown San Diego, the 55th got off the ground Friday, November 1st, and closed its doors on Sunday, November 3rd.

General Chairman Catharine Edgerton reported that the registration desk was busy with registration and selling medals and PNCovers. More than eighty dealers from as far away as Australia manned their bourse tables in the spacious, carpeted Grand Ballroom on the second floor.

Exhibits were presented for viewing in the Pavilion Room on the lower level. Also on the lower level the Georgian Room was open for educational films and slides. These were continuously shown during the convention hours.

Friday noon was the first event of the convention. A ladies' and gentlemens' luncheon was held in the Crystal Room. Friday afternoon the Board of CSNA held its executive meeting.

Friday evening the educational forum was presented and moderated by Anna Merle Panosh. Richard Yeoman presented his talk on "The Milestones of History through Coins," and Jon Sutherland spoke on "Artists, Craftsmen and the Making of Greek Coins." Both were presented with speaker's plaques at the conclusion of the program.

The general business meeting was held Saturday morning. The nominating committee presented the slate of officers and their resumes and pictures will be found in this issue.

California Exonumist Society held its regular meeting in the Georgian Room Saturday afternoon with Walter Snyder presiding. Joe Garside presented Jack Detwiler, who spoke on Civil War Monies, and Vincent Bacon presented slides on the Heraldic Art Series (of silver half-dollar-size medals from 1959 to date.) Ballots were counted and the new officers for the organization are Douglas DeRome, president; Richard Lebold, vice-president; Helen DeRome, secretary and Walter Snyder, treasurer.

The American-British Numismatic Society forum also was conducted Saturday afternoon with Ben Campbell as the speaker. His topic was "English Pennies."

After a no-host cocktail hour the CSNA Awards Banquet was held, ably chaired by Dorothy Baber. Las Vegas dollar-size gambling tokens at each table place were given with the compliments of Walt Kinney. Past President Everett Phillips was master of ceremonies. Vincent Beretta, in charge of exhibits, presented the award winners. The CSNA honored Barbara Hyde with the Medal of Merit for her outstanding work on Calcoin News and for her sculpture work on medals for the organization in connection with the reopening of the San Francisco Mint.

The Sunday morning breakfast was held in the Crystal Room and arranged by Ursula and Joe Garside. Each attendee received a complimentary book about antiques, architecture or sculpture. Orchids by Garside adorned the front table. The centerpiece was given as a door prize and won by Mrs. John Lenker of Redlands. Several other door prizes were donated by California, San Diego and Home Federal Savings and Loan Associations.

Medal of Merit to Barbara Hyde

By William O. Wisslead

The scene was the Awards Banquet of the 55th Semi-Annual Convention at San Diego, November 2, 1974. Barbara Hyde was called to the podium where President William O. Wisslead presented her with Cal-State's highest award, the Medal of Merit. This award was given in recognition for the high quality issues of Calcoin News that have been judged three different years by the American Numismatic Association as the award winning Outstanding Regional Numismatic Publication. Also, the designing and sculpturing of the Cal-State medals for the re-dedication of the Old Mint at 5th and Mission in San Francisco was the result of Barbara's outstanding capabilities. We can all be proud of her exceptionally fine contributions that reflect so highly on our organization. Thank you, Barbara, you are well deserving of Cal-State's highest award.

Convention Camera

Photos by Howard Chase, CSNA 1664

CSNA purchased a banner which was at the recent convention.

Registration desk with Ursula Garside and Catherine Edgerton.

The "Peerless Pair" were in attendance and recognized for their faithfulness.

Numismatic press representatives included Bob Berman, Dick Yeoman, and Chet Krause.

Photographer Howard Chase with the "King of coin collectors," Rudy Gjurovich.

San Francisco brought their banner to help promote the next semi-annual convention.

Hap Yeager and John Sears, chairman of San Francisco show with Rudy Gjurovich.

CES past president Walter Snyder, Anna Merle Panosh, Douglas de Rome and Helen de Rome.

Corky Ayers with Walter Snyder in check presentation.

Jon Sutherland receives his speaker's plaque from Anna Merle Panosh.

President Bill Wisslead, Elizabeth Wisslead and Randy Briggs, board member.

Chet Krause of Numismatic News chats with Barbara Hyde in front of new CSNA banner.

President Bill Wisslead at the banquet.

Stuart Edgerton and Catherine Edgerton receive convention medals from Bill Wisslead.

The head table at the banquet, again displaying the banner.

The numismatic press had a table, close to the action, at the banquet.

Ruth and Everett Phillips. He was master of ceremonies at the Saturday night banquet.

Dorothy and Al Baber of El Cajon. He is a past president of CSNA.

Don Thrall, candidate for vice president, and Hap Yeager from Sacramento.

The excellent exhibits attracted a lot of attention.

Convention Exhibits & Awards

GROUP "A" – UNITED STATES
Virginia Hall – "The Oddfellows of American Coinage" – First
Howard H. Gullick – "U. S. Silver Dollar Types 1840 - 1971" – Second
Larry F. Tapper – "The Racketeer Nickel" – Third

GROUP "B" – ANCIENT AND MEDIEVAL
William O. West – "Japan, A Selection of Pre-Modern Gold and Silver Coins" – First
Ralph J. Marx – "Alexander The Great" – Second
Ben H. Campbell – "Silver Pennies of England for 1000 Years" – Third

GROUP "C" – MODERN FOREIGN
Larry Tapper – "Presentation Pieces of George III" – First
Sam Urshan – "Treasure of the Spanish Main" – Second
Catherine Edgerton – "Aztec Calendar Coins" – Third

GROUP "D" – SUBSTITUTES FOR MONEY
Albert Hall – "Money Substitutes of Siam" – First
James R. Wells – "Civil War Copperheads" – Second

GROUP "E" – PAPER MONEY
Dr. A. K. Berry – "Paper Dolls on Our Paper Money" – First
James R. Wells – "Not Worth A Continental" – Second
Gladys Moulton – "Military Payment Certificates" – Third

GROUP "F" – WOODEN MONEY
Debbie Martin – "JFK Wooden Money" – Second

GROUP "G" – ORDERS AND DECORATIONS
Albert Hall – "Two Decorations of Thailand" – First
Roger J. Sullivan – "The Sea Shall Not Have Them" – Second

GROUP "H" – MEDALS
John D. Sears – "San Francisco Cable Car Medals" – First
Debbie Martin – "JFK Medals" Second
Paul G. Moulton – "Indians" – Third

GROUP "I" – MISCELLANEOUS
Larry F. Tapper – "Symbols on Jewish Coins" – First
Ruth Phillips – "1915 Panama California Exposition Memorabilia" – Second
Donald F. Bogar – "Errors in the Minting Process" – Third

GROUP "J" – JUNIORS
Debbie Martin – "Zodiac Medals" – First
Debbie Martin – "Presidential Medals" – Second

GROUP "K" – PHILATELIC-NUMISMATIC COMBINATIONS
Julius M. Moessl – "Coins Commemorating the Olympic Games in Munich 1972" – First
Philip Centman Sr. – "Animal Kingdom on Coins or Stamps" – Third

BEST OF SHOW
John F. Freund – "Gold Coin Struck in the Low Countries for Emperor Charles V" – Class B

SPECIAL EXONUMIST AWARD
Albert Hall – "Two Decorations of Thailand" – Class G

Presenting awards to the exhibitors at the Saturday night banquet was Vincent Beretta.

Best of show award was won by John Freund. Presenting the award is James Hunt.

Albert Hall received the special Exonumist award. Douglas de Rome presented it.

Winners in Group "A" United States were Howard Gullick and Virginia Hall.

Winners in Group "B" were William West, Ben Campbell and Ralph Marx.

Winners in Group "D" were Albert Hall and James Wells.

Winners in Group "E" were Hames Wells, Gladys Moulton and Dr. A. K. Berry.

Winners in Group "H" were John Sears, Debbie Martin and Paul Moulton.

Winners in Group "K" were Julius Moessl and Philip Centman Sr.

Winners in Group "I" were Debbie Martin, Ruth Phillips and Donald Bogar.

NEWS, VIEWS & WHOS. . .

North of the Tehachapis

By Jerry Kroeger, CSNA 18-4

CALIFORNIA TOKENS

At the July meeting of the VALLEJO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY, the members came out en-masse to hear the local boy, STEVE ALBUM speak on California Tokens and Store Cards with examples from his collection to hilite his talk. He is one local boy who has made good.

The August meeting was equally well attended with exhibits as the drawing card. Some of the exhibits were English Proof Set by MERLE SEMEL, Odd and Curious by WALTER GERTH, Foreign Money by FATHER O'LEARY, Greek Coins by FLOYD BECKER and Medals by MIKE TURRINNI. The attendance passed all expectations.

SLIDE-CASSETTE PROGRAM

FRESNO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY once again enjoyed a slide cassette program from CSNA library. The title of this one was "Coins of Edward VIII." Just to help the program along, the "English" collectors brought some exhibits along. They included FRED TINKHAM, DENNIS OLSWANG and EVERETT PHILLIPS. It was greatly appreciated.

In October the program was by DON LARSON, on California Exposition Souvenirs. RUTH PHILLIPS, your FNS editor was so impressed and inspired that she put together an exhibit of Panama California Exposition material in the CSNA show and won SECOND in the Miscellaneous category.

PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURAL MEDALS

O. L. WALLIS and ROBERT WHITEHEAD combined their talents at the October meeting of the SAN FRANCISCO COIN CLUB. Mr. Wallis was the speaker and Mr. Whitehead's slides on medals made an outstanding meeting. It was an honor and pleasure to present them with the California State Numismatic Association's Certificate of Appreciation. Members GEORGE MICHAELS, RONALD JOHNSON, DENTON DOLSON, and JOHN SEARS also exhibited medals.

At the November meeting MILTON STRAUCH gave his impression of the European Market, having just returned from a trip to Europe.

FROM OUR MOST NORTHERNLY MEMBER CLUB

EUREKA COIN CLUB'S 8th annual coin show in March '74 broke all previous records for attendance, reports CLEMENS A. McCLOSKEY, Corresponding Secretary.

New Officers for the year are President WILLIAM BISH, Vice President LLOYD WHITCOMB, Recording Secretary MARK BOYD and Treasurer ARTHUR STEWART.

WOMEN'S LIB!

SAN JOSE COIN CLUB has two women at its helm and very successfully, I might add. President CONSTANCE PERHAM reported on her trip to the Fourth Annual Numismatic Association of Southern California's Workshop held in August. Vice President JEAN PRITCHETT is also in charge of publicity.

MR. RONALD GETZ, Manager of Public Information for the Federal Reserve Bank, spoke at the October meeting on check processing and other bank services.

This year, as in past years, the club has had a medallion struck to commemorate its annual Coin Show. The designer of the medal was a Junior member, ERNIE RAY. A student at Cupertino High School, Ernie is the first Junior member to have ever won a medal design contest of the San Jose Coin Club and the "first" person whose submitted designs have won both the obverse and reverse contests. His designs were selected as the winners by the club members out of 17 competing designs. The medallion was struck by MASTERPIECE MEDALLIONS of Claremont, California.

SHOW OF ERRORS

NORTH BAY COIN CLUB had a successful 14th Annual Coin Show. There were 30 bourse tables and many fine exhibits including a special showing of "THE GRIFFIN ERROR COLLECTION," which included a '55 double-die, off-center Lincoln cent and a 1887 silver dollar 30% off-center strike.

A picnic was held for all NBCC members the following week of the show at Broines Park and a wonderful time was had by all, reports JOHN HITZENHAMMER.

PICNIC

Another club, CUPERTINO COIN CLUB, had a picnic. This one, an annual affair, was held at Vasona Park, Los Gatos in September. CCC President PHIL SOLOMON presented

slides from the ANA on U. S. Type Coins at the September meeting. WILLIAM BENNETT of the Liberty Coin Club spoke at the October meeting.

PROGRAMS

PACIFIC COAST NUMISMATIC SOCIETY has had a variety of programs. In August an article written by WM. DeVROOM, "Ducats of the Netherlands," was read by MRS. HARRY CUTLER. Mr. DeVroom lives in Australia and corresponds with PCNS members on a regular basis. This article was published in the Fall 1973 issue of Calcoin News.

In September the topic was Odd and Curious with each of the exhibitors the "main speakers."

In October JAY PATTERSON spoke on Investing in Gold Coin and Bullion. In November, SIDNEY HAAS spoke on Ancient Coins. All were interesting topics by knowledgeable collectors.

NEWS, VIEWS & WHOS. . .

South of the Tehachapis

By Nona G. Moore, CSNA 1573

SPECIAL BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

To OLGA NERGARD of the LONG BEACH COIN CLUB, who celebrated her 83rd birthday, October 11.

LUCKY BUCKS

"Silver Dollar Night" was held at the TORRANCE COIN CLUB when 11 silver dollars were given away . . . nine as door prizes and two for a "special drawing."

27 EDITIONS

ELIZABETH WISSLEAD displayed and talked about her complete set of "Redbooks" at TORRANCE COIN CLUB, relating many facts and figures most have forgotten.

OUR MAD MONARCH

RALPH MITCHELL of Fullerton presented a program, "The Mad Monarch of America," at the ORANGE COUNTY COIN CLUB when he spoke on the infamous Emperor Norton of San Francisco.

A NEW TOPIC

"Blacks in Numismatics and Philatelics," was the new topic by a new speaker which highlighted the October LOS ANGELES COIN CLUB meeting. LAUNIE WRIGHT, LACC member for nine years, presented the program.

LAS VEGAS, HERE WE COME!

Several members of the CALIFORNIA WOODEN MONEY ASSOCIATION got together at the home of LEONA and HAROLD BUTNER recently to enjoy the fundamentals of a game called "Poker." The unusual thing was this game was played with WOODEN MONEY only! It has been billed as "the world's first poker game played with wooden money." The object was to play until you utilized all of your duplicate woods, and whatever hands you won, of course, had to be gone through to check for issues needed personally! Everyone was surprised whenever they found a piece or two needed to fill an empty spot in a collection . . . for that was the idea behind the game.

For those who were unable to attend and would like a wooden poker nickel made especially for the occasion, send a S.A.S.E. to Harold Butner, 18432 Kingsdale, Redondo Beach 90278.

FIFTH ANNUAL AFFAIR

CALICO COIN CLUB of Barstow held its fifth annual coin show in September with an attendance of about 600. 20 fine exhibits were on display and eleven dealers had bourse tables. EVELYN FARIS won a special exhibit award, "Joe A. Reyes and Calico Coin Club Perpetual, Best of Show Trophy, Awarded by the People," given to the exhibitor receiving the most votes according to preference by attendees.

A FAVORITE

One of MAURICE GOULD's favorite topics is "U. S. Colonial Coins." UPLAND COIN CLUB was honored to have him as speaker when he presented the talk, supplemented with slides of some early coins.

1492/1892

ALBERT HALL's subject was "Columbus and the Columbian Exposition" at UPLAND COIN CLUB and REDLANDS COIN CLUB meetings. Active in coin collecting and exhibiting, Al had a very informative presentation together with an extensive display of Columbiana.

CORAL ATOLLS

A slide/tape presentation on "Maldive Islands" was given at the SOCIETY OF INTERNATIONAL NUMISMATISTS, San Gabriel Valley chapter.

LOUISIANA AND GEORGIA

CSNA President WILLIAM WISSLEAD talked about "The Old New Orleans Mint" at the 49ER COIN CLUB and NORWALK COIN CLUB. At the FONTANA UNITED NUMISMATISTS he presented "The Dahlonega Mint," and also at the LA MIRADA COIN CLUB.

VATICAN CITY

TOM FITZGERALD, educator from Covina, presented a fine program at WEST VALLEY COIN CLUB about "Papal Medals," including slides. His beautiful display took Best of Show at the recent S.I.N. second annual convention in Los Angeles.

BIBLICAL NUMISMATICS

LAWRENCE CRITES was guest speaker at ISRAEL COIN CLUB, L. A. He has won the scholarship award twice from the Hebrew Union College. His fine topic, "Abraham and the Shekel," explained what the shekel meant in Biblical times.

SAVE, DON'T SPEND IT!

TOM WOODS traveled from North Hollywood to the TORRANCE COIN CLUB and talked to them about "Piggy Banks," bringing and sharing some of his fine collection with those present.

ALL FOUR TOGETHER

According to BEN ABELSON, AINA director, a joint meeting will be held in December of all four local Israel coin clubs. YITZHAK AVNI, NAHUM HACOHEN and MORRIS BRAM will be in attendance. Mr. Avni will present the program "Israel Numismatics, Past, Present and Future."

LINCOLN DAYS

JACK DETWILER gave his interesting talk on "Civil War Tokens, Designs and Designers," accompanied with slides, at the 49ER COIN CLUB. Jack was also featured speaker at the CALIFORNIA EXONUMIST SOCIETY's regular meeting in San Diego at the CSNA convention, presenting the same theme.

SOCIAL EVENT IN GLENDALE

GLENDALE COIN CLUB held its first annual Glendale Coin Club party, a strictly social function, at the home of WES and MARION OLSON. Proceeds were donated to the club in the form of additional door prizes. Tickets for the luncheon event were $3, with games, door prizes and fun promised and enjoyed.

BEGORRA!

SHAMROCK COIN CLUB visited LAWNDALE, GLENDALE, SOUTHERN HUB and BOYLE HEIGHTS JUNIOR COIN CLUBS in October.

TREASURE HUNT

A complete set of Lincoln cents (yes, the 1909SVDB, 1914D and 1931S were included) was "given" away at the DOWNEY NUMISMATIST October meeting. Everyone had a chance to bid on 100 rolls (two for each State of the Union) of Lincoln cents with a minimum of $2.50 bid and raises of 10c per roll. Within those rolls was the set including the scarce coins. In addition, a "mystery coin" was included among the rolls and it entitled the winner to a complete set of 1941-74 Lincoln's. AN EXCELLENT IDEA FOR FUND-RAISING! BUD HEMING went home with the SVDB, RUSH SWICK got the 1931S and NORMA REARDON won the 1914D.

A NEW ORGANIZATION IS FOUNDED

The ISRAEL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY OF ORANGE COUNTY, founded by BOB KOPPEL, had its first general meeting in July and has an established membership of more than 50 Israel collectors including several juniors. Its official publication is called "The Voice," with that ever-helpful, ever-busy ED McCLUNG as editor. BEN and CLAIRE ABELSON presented a program on "Israel's 10-Pound Commemorative Coins" to highlight the evening.

JUNIOR ACTIVITIES

DOC BACH of DOWNEY NUMISMATISTS has developed some interesting ideas for junior members who participate in special events. He has designed activities so every junior can learn about coins and collecting and still have fun and win gold coins, trophies, silver dollars, proof sets, Indian Head cents and bourse prizes. Each junior receives a special mailing from Doc including a letter explaining the special events — a yellow entry form with rules and sample for the contest of naming "My Most Interesting Ten Coins," and a green form for entering in the special exhibit contest. Those interested in his junior membership ideas may write to him at Box 165, Downey 90241.

BULLION VALUE

WILLIAM NOGA presented "How to Determine Coin's Bullion Worth" at the CLAIREMONT COIN CLUB and CONVAIR COINEERS.

P. C. I. E.

Does anyone have a Spreckels Organ Elongated Cent from the Panama-California International Exposition 1915-16 (San Diego)? If so, please write RUTH PHILLIPS, 227 North Duke Avenue, Fresno 93727. She is putting together a fabulous collection of these, and needs one!

QUOTE

According to "The Olive Branch," official organ of ISRAEL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY of San Gabriel Valley, SYLVIA HAFFNER of Jerusalem, Israel replied when asked what it was like living in Israel: "One has a feeling of 'belonging,' that you are one of the Jewish people, sharing their dreams, hopes, their struggles and accomplishments. You accept the fact that they are completely disorganized here, but things will get better. You develop a sense of humor . . . and most important, you acquire great patience, for usually you must stand in line and wait for things you want. Everything considered, we love it!"

TOKENS

DWIGHT SAFFORD talked about San Diego area tokens at a CONVAIR COINEER meeting. Members brought tokens relating to it for display and discussion.

JUNIOR NUMISMATISTS

JAMES WALDORF, president of NASC, spoke on "Coin Collecting for Juniors in 1974." Having a very active numismatist son (DUFFY), Jim is more than qualified in this subject.

EXPO'S

JIM BETTON spoke on "Midwinter Exposition of 1894" at the WHITTIER COIN CLUB, displaying a very extensive collection of its memorabilia.

FRAUD

An interesting 27 slides on "Altered Coins" were shown at the KAISER COIN CLUB, with a description narrated by Vice President BILL McFADDEN.

POPULAR CROWNS HIGHLIGHTED

Vice President PAUL NEIFERT secured a CSNA color slide program, "25 + 1 Popular Crowns" for the UPLAND COIN CLUB, which was shown with a taped commentary.

OUTER SPACE

CALTECH-JPL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY featured the award-winning film, "The Universe from Palomar", relating the story of the construction and operating highlights of the Institute's 200-inch Hale telescope. It was reported that in honoring the event, door prizes and refreshments were something extra-special!

ASIA MINOR IS FEATURED

GERALD KLEEB presented "The Borrowing of Coin Designs by Urtukid and Atabeg Coinages of Asia Minor" at the CALIFORNIA FOREIGN COIN CLUB.

ENTERTAINING PROGRAM

DR. JOHN VENABLE entertained the TUSTIN COIN CLUB with an interesting talk about his experiences with "Coins and Coin Collectors," giving many an insight to the many facets of coin collecting.

YE OLD SPELLING BEE

TRIANGLE COIN CLUB held a "Numismatic Spelling Bee" with a valuable prize going to CONRAD TINDELL as winner.

PHILATELICS FEATURED

Speaker BRUNO FORSHER presented a program about "Israel Coins on Stamps" at the ISRAEL COIN CLUB, L. A. Having collected stamps of Israel since 1948 he is considered highly qualified in this field.

NORWALK REPORTS

DICK THATCHER spoke on "Fido Oddities," and RALPH MITCHELL presented a talk on "The British Virgin Isles" at the NORWALK COIN CLUB.

ALL STAR PROGRAM

EARL KEEFER, dealer and world traveler, shared his fascinating experiences in buying and selling coins throughout Europe and Asia with the BAY CITIES COIN CLUB.

NUMISMATIC HISTORY

ED UHLIG told the Riverside UNIVERSITY NUMISMATIC CLUB of the extensive numismatic history made in the past 440 years in coins issued in North and South America.

A DOZEN YEARS

The annual anniversary dinner meeting of THE AZTECA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY marked its 12th year, with a relaxed and informal evening at Pepe's Restaurant in Burbank. The BRANDER's brought a tape player and Mexican music was enjoyed throughout the occasion.

A BRITON

Victoria (B. C.) born Rev. COLLIN CAMPBELL, now of the U. S., presented an exciting program to the AMERICAN-BRITISH NUMISMATIC SOCIETY, covering 30 years of collecting coins from British Oceania to the United Kingdom. Enjoyable short stories of his years in Australia, New Zealand and Canada were enhanced by slides showing beautiful scenes of those countries.

FLYING

"Birds on Coins" was the theme for a recent Convair Coineer meeting.

BI-CENTENNIAL PLANS

Culver City is anticipating our Bi-centennial celebration and a representative of its Chamber of Commerce attended a CULVER CITY COIN CLUB meeting to discuss the plans. A wooden nickel will be produced by the club in conjunction with Culver City.

WEIGHTS AND SCALES

NORMAN STURGESS, recently returned from England, presented a most fascinating talk based on his vast collection of weights and scales at the KAISER COIN CLUB.

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL EVENT

The 16th annual WEST VALLEY COIN CLUB show reports record attendance. The club gave out 25 silver dollars and six gold pieces to happy ticket holders. The U. S. Post Office did a brisk business, the bourse dealers were well-satisfied, and everyone was pleased with the new location at the Sportsman's Lodge in North Hollywood.

CONVENCION NUMISMATICA INTERNACIONAL

New convention dates and site for Mexico City 1975 are March 13-15, at the New Hotel del Prado. AZTECANS are looking forward to this third convention with great anticipation. Those wishing complete details write DUANE DOUGLAS, General Chairman, Eugenia 13 Desp. 301, Mexico 18, D. F. Mexico.

1974 ANA REPORTED

VAL MOGENSEN reported on the 1974 ANA convention as the program for the LOS ANGELES COIN CLUB. He also displayed a collection of ANA medals and badges.

MOVED, BUT NOT TOO FAR

JOHN and IRENE WILLIAMS of TRIANGLE COIN CLUB are basking in the sun at Sun City, having recently left the Bellflower area.

ISRAEL NUMISMATICA

SALLY MARX was guest speaker at CALTECH-JPL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY, where she related her extensive knowledge on "The Coinage of Israel." Sally also presented another interesting program at the ISRAEL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY, San Gabriel, when she discussed "Kibbutz Money."

NINTH SHOW GREAT SUCCESS

Chairman WALTER SNYDER, the "White Fox," related the DOWNEY NUMISMATISTS' ninth annual show as a spectacular occasion. Bourse Chairman HENRY CUTTING lined up a great list of dealers and the Executive Board arranged for the U. S. Post Office to have a booth. PHYLLIS DUNCAN saw to it that the world's greatest cooks supplied food and drinks throughout the two days. JOHN WILLIAMS assembled some excellent exhibitors, and many gold coins were given away at the end of the show, including a $20 St. Gaudens!

Not only that, but your SOTT editor had her stock shown at the Downey show removed from her car shortly after its ending, so you can add that as a great "success" to some determined thieves. But . . . you can't keep an Irish gal down and crying won't bring the coins back, so she is busy snapping 2 x 2's and getting her three-ring binders back into business again! And may those who were so successful in relieving her of her merchandise CHOKE ON THEIR NEXT UTTERANCE.

THE DARK CONTINENT

MEL KOHL spoke before the EAST LOS ANGELES COIN CLUB and LAWNDALE COIN CLUB about "Faraway Lands in the Horn of Africa."

LEONA KOHL rewarded the TORRANCE COIN CLUB with her topic, "A Female Bella Slave and Timbuktu," which she presented with color slides.

PRECIOUS METALS

TRIANGLE COIN CLUB held a numismatic quiz on "$3 Gold Coins."

ANNA MERLE PANOSH told of her trip to Copper Canyon in Mexico at the SAN DIEGO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY meeting, highlighted by an array of souvenirs.

LEONA KOHL presented the programs for the GLENDALE COIN CLUB, LA MIRADA COIN CLUB, TRIANGLE COIN CLUB, and LONG BEACH COIN CLUB. Her topic was "Regal Portraits in Silver and Gold."

GARY BEEDON of the TRIANGLE COIN CLUB presented a quiz on the $4 Gold Stellas.

ORDERS AND DECORATIONS

WILLIAM KOONCE delighted the NORTH HOLLYWOOD COIN CLUB with his recent talk on "Orders and Decorations."

PAPER PREVAILS

CHARLES COLVER, our "Numismatic Ambassador," spoke on "Hometown Banknotes" at the CALTECH-JPL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY and DOWNEY NUMISMATISTS.

J. H. McINNIS, JR., presented "Souvenirs at Face Value" at the SOUTHERN HUB COIN CLUB, discussing paper money as art and a reflection of the people and countries issuing it.

EXCITING LITERARY NEWS

FRANK GROVE's new book, Volume II of Medals of Mexico, entitled "Mexican Orders and Decorations" is due any time.

ALBERTO MENDEZ is the author of a book on Mexican Republican coins, and the new RICHARD LONG book on pricing and grading of 20th century Mexican coins is due to appear by the end of the year.

ENJOYING THE OZARKS

VIDA and RAY TOY have moved again to Mansfield, Arkansas, where her sister lives. Mailing address is Box 645.

A CLUB IS BORN

A new collecting club has begun in an area where the need is great . . . a junior club called BOYLE HEIGHTS COIN AND STAMP CLUB, the brainchild of JOSE CASTANEDA and ARMANDO PEREZ, assistant playground directors. In July it was organized with 27 boys and 7 adults in attendance. If you will look back in recent "Calcoin News" issues you will find interesting articles in SOTT referring to these two good gentlemen (and HY SPITZ) who are doing so much to help our underprivileged children and to do what they can to diminish our delinquency problems.

Adult support for this new club has been provided by LEE GABRIEL of the SHAMROCK COIN CLUB, ARMANDO and ALEXIA OJEDA of AZTECA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY, and GEORGE and EVELYN PRICE of WEST VALLEY COIN CLUB. All supplied these juniors with basic needs to get a start. Donations were also received from KRAUSE PUBLICATIONS, LERC NUMISMATIC SOCIETY, and many individuals from our local groups.

Since this new club has begun from scratch – with no money – any coins, stamps, tokens, wood, books, etc. relating to our hobbies will be appreciated. Members are in the 10 to 15 year range with very little money to spend, but with much interest and enthusiasm.

Please contact the WEST VALLEY COIN CLUB, Box 211, Tarzana, with any additional contributions and/or suggestions.

A GAIN FOR PARADISE

How sad we are to learn that Pauline and Slim Dunbar are moving out of the area and entering Paradise, California! Their new address is 6345 Oliver Road, and extend invitations to their friends to drop in on them.

EDUCATIONAL FEATURES

OXNARD COIN CLUB shows educational slides at each meeting. Its first was "Types of Commemorative Half Dollars." Also shown were "U. S. Types, Quarters to Silver Dollars," "Coins with Special Significance (U. S., Foreign, Ancient & Colonial)," and "U. S. Copper Coin Types."

ISRAEL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY, San Gabriel, was fortunate to have MEL WACKS (formerly of Syosset, N. Y.) as guest speaker. His title was "Ancient Numismatic Reflections . . . First Revolt," which was most educational and informative. Mel is a member of the AINA board and has authored numerous articles on Ancient Numismatics. His column, "Judaean Jottings," has appeared in "The Shekel" for years. He is also a numismatic consultant for the Judah Magnes Museum in Berkeley.

THIEVES BEWARE

Prevention of home burglaries was the theme presented by the VAN NUYS POLICE DEPARTMENT at a WEST VALLEY COIN CLUB meeting.

The CULVER CITY COIN CLUB was well-informed and advised by the CULVER CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT regarding "Residential Burglaries."

FONTANA UNITED NUMISMATISTS were shown how to protect their homes and/or businesses with a non-electric burglar alarm setup by "Nightwatch."

Guest speaker at CALTECH-JPL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY meeting was Agent JERRY FERGUSON of the Pasadena Police Department, who presented a film and literature on how to safeguard valuables in the home.

HUSBAND/WIFE TEAM

AMERICAN-BRITISH NUMISMATIC SOCIETY has a joint husband/wife team, MALCOLM and JANICE BECK, who publish its journal out of Castroville, California.

TOPICAL COLLECTING

FRED WHITAKER spoke on "U. S. Half Cents" and U. S; Large Cents" at REDLANDS COIN CLUB meetings.

NASC slides were shown the SOUTHERN HUB COIN CLUB members on "U. S. Early Type Coins," with MEL KOHL narrating.

DAVID TAYLOR presented a talk on "Quarters" at the SOUTHEASTERN SIERRA COIN CLUB meeting, as part of the series of papers being given by its members.

ALVA CHRISTENSEN was speaker of the month at LONG BEACH COIN CLUB with the title, "History and Types of Collecting," relating interesting, different ways and things that people collect.

RAY FARINE of the GLENDALE COIN CLUB presented an NASC slide program on "U. S. Type Coins."

ELEPHANTS – WHITE OR BLUE

ISRAEL COIN CLUB, L. A. reported a net profit of more than $100 as a result of its Blue and White Elephant sale with a few items remaining to auction off at later meetings. SOL TAYLOR, BEN ABELSON and MILT FISHGOLD ably assisted as auctioneers.

MONTEREY PARK COIN CLUB helped its treasury with a White Elephant Sale in October, and LONG BEACH COIN CLUB enjoyed its in November.

SOUTHERN HUB COIN CLUB held its first fund-raising event in years when it had a 50/50 white elephant auction. The donor received 50% of the sale price realized.

GREETINGS OF SUNSHINE

to LARRY STATEN of the GLENDALE

COIN CLUB, who recently underwent a serious operation.

to PAUL NOYES, treasurer of the 49ER COIN CLUB, who suffered a heart attack.

to ED UHLIG of Riverside whose ulcer kicked up a storm.

HOW DOES IT RATE?

"The Art of Grading Coins" was the topic LEONARD STERLING chose for the LONG BEACH COIN CLUB. His display of poor grade coins, tips on whizzing, bad features and danger signs proved most informative and educational. Leonard presented the same topic at the TUSTIN COIN CLUB.

SALLY CASALAINA of Van Nuys presented "Grading and Cleaning of Coins" to the TRIANGLE COIN CLUB.

NAPOLEONIC INTEREST

JOHN LENKER, renowned numismatist from Redlands, presented a fine program at the Riverside UNIVERSITY NUMISMATIC CLUB on "Coins and Medals of Napoleon."

His presentation at the ORANGE COUNTY COIN CLUB was entitled "The Four Napoleons."

THOSE METAL DISCS

ED CREEL lectured on the U. S. Minting of Coins at the CALICO COIN CLUB of Barstow.

SAN DIEGO ERROR CLUB heard DWIGHT SAFFORD talk on "Striking of a Medal," and BILL WRIGHT chose the title "Minting of Early American Coinage."

ALBERT HALL's subject was "The Many Mints of Mexico," discussing his visit to the old and new mints and the Bureau of Engraving/Printing in Mexico City at the FONTANA UNITED NUMISMATISTS and the Riverside UNIVERSITY NUMISMATIC CLUB.

WHO BLEW THE DIET?

LA MIRADA COIN CLUB held its 12th annual anniversary potluck dinner in October. Other Hobbies night was enjoyed after the dinner and regular meeting.

Reservations at Scandia's Restaurant were made for WHITTIER COIN CLUB when it celebrated its 15th anniversary in September. Guest speaker, VIRGIL HANCOCK spoke on "The Counterfeiting Plague." Souvenir mini-PNC's containing 1959 and 1974 BU cents were given the 98 attending the event, as well as a Whittier Coin Club 15th anniversary souvenir booklet giving the history of the club.

POMONA's annual potluck dinner was its usual enjoyable feast, also in October.

SOUTHEASTERN SIERRA COIN CLUB held its annual potluck picnic/meeting in Bishop. After a short business meeting a raffle and auction was held.

AFTER THE FOREST . . .

The world's first "49c coin" was introduced at the 49th annual conference of the PACIFIC SOCIETY OF PRINTING HOUSE CRAFTSMEN in San Diego. About the size of an Ike Dollar it was custom-printed on a 1/8" hardwood disc.

CONEJO VALLEY COIN CLUB has produced a set of 5 wooden nickels printed in 5 different colors to commemorate different events in its valley. The set is $1.50 from Conejo Valley Coin Club, Box 1694, Thousand Oaks 91360.

Unusual sets of 6 wood pieces to celebrate the 20th anniversary of NORWALK COIN CLUB are available at $3 per set from ROY ROBBINS, 9827 Rufus Avenue, Whittier 90605.

CALIFORNIA WOODEN MONEY ASSOCIATION flat woods with its first six presidents listed are available at 50c each from MRS. LARRY KEIL, 2139 East 4th Street, Space 31, Ontario 91764.

EARL O'CATHEY spoke on "Wooden Money" at the COVINA COIN CLUB.

CHANGING OF THE GUARD

TRIANGLE COIN CLUB: CHARLES KAUFHOLD, vice president (filling the unexpired term of JOHN WILLIAMS.)

NEW OFFICERS

ISRAEL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY OF ORANGE COUNTY: Bob Koppel, pres.; Len Sterling, Tom Gallagher, v.p.'s; Linda Gallagher, rec. secy; Esther Bromberg, corr. secy; and Leonard Goncher, treas.

OUR VERY OWN

HERBERT BERGEN was awarded the Farran Zerbe Award for "outstanding, devoted and distinguished service to numismatics and to the national organization," presented at the 83rd ANA convention by President VIRGINIA CULVER. Mr. Bergen's never-failing dedication to our wonderful hobby results in this high honor and no one is more deserving than he.

MAURICE GOULD won the coveted silver and gold medal in the NUMISMATIC LITERARY GUILD columnist contest.

ETHEL STONE and ALVA CHRISTENSEN received the Leonal C. Panosh Literary Award for their efforts as editors of "The Medallion," official bulletin of the CALIFORNIA EXONUMIST SOCIETY. It was presented to them at the CES annual celebration in July, and re-presented at the ANA convention in Florida.

Mrs. DOROTHY BABER won the most coveted TAMS award, "The Distinguished Service Medal" at the ANA in August.

From the Desk of the Secretary

Charles G. Colver, CSNA 6-1

NEW MEMBERS (Aug. 11 to Nov. 10, 1974)

2834 ETHERIDGE, Dorothy H. . . . . .
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2835 SHELTON, C. Edward . . . . .P. O. Box 24565, Los Angeles, Calif. 90024
(sponsored by Charles Colver)

2836 FOLEY, Gene A. . . . . .42 Strong St., Manchester, Conn. 06040
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2837 KESTNER, Brian G. . . . . .218 Taylor Blvd., Millbrae, Calif. 94030
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2838 HEMET NUMISMATISTS . . . . P. O. Box 1290, Hemet, Calif. 92343
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2839 URSHAN, Sam . . . . . .2343 Romney Rd., San Diego, Calif. 92109
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2840 WIENER, Robert M. . . . . .
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2841 HARTMAN, David . . . . 12439 Poway Rd. Suite H, Poway, Calif. 92064
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2843 WATKINS, Benny E. . . . . 786 Ceres Ave., Los Angeles, Calif. 90021
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2845 TERASAKI, Shigeo, M. D. . .12119 Paramount Blvd., Downey, Calif. 90242
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2847 TINGLEY, Thomas E. . . . . 1113 Offutt Blvd., Bellevue, Neb. 68005
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2848 RICH, Landon E. . . . . 4911 Calera Ave., Covina, Calif. 91722
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2849 HOBLITZELL, James J. . . 4573 Candleberry Ave., Seal Beach, Calif. 90740
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2850 KELLY, John M. . . . . .
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2851 LAMB, A. C. . . . . P. O. Box 12385, Las Vegas, Nev. 89112
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2852 SWONGER, Eugene . . . . . P. O. Box 847, Anaheim, Calif. 92805
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2853 CAMPBELL, Ray L. . . . . P. O. Box 684, Banning, Calif. 92220
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A2854 McCURRY, Doreen . . . . 2031 Porter St., San Bernardino, Calif. 92405
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2855 MOESSL, Julius M. . . . . .632 W. Oak Ave., El Segundo, Calif. 90245
(sponsored by Jim Hunt)

2856 WELLS, James R. . . . . .
(sponsored by Jim Hunt)

2857 GRAYSON, Carlton W. . . . . .105 S. Main St., Fairmount, Ind. 46928
(sponsored by Jim Betton)

2858 BOROUGHF, Earl E. . . . 24921 Muirlands No. 120, El Toro, Calif. 92630
(sponsored by Barbara Hyde)

2859 MENDLEN, William N. 2028 Cloverfield Blvd. No. 4, Santa Monica, Calif. 90404
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2860 GRANT, W. J. . . . . P. O. Box 295, Patton, Calif. 92369
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2861 DITTBENNER, Mel . . . . . 891 Huston Dr., Riverside, Calif. 92507
(sponsored by Charles Colver)
2862 BOGAR, Donald F. . . 4386 Pacific Hwy. Sp. 110, San Diego, Calif. 92110
(sponsored by Gladys Moulton)
2863 REPPETEAU, Larry V. . . . . 78 Carmen St., San Francisco, Calif. 94117
(sponsored by Don Thrall)
2864 GOTTSCHALL, L. T. . . . . 2019 "J" Ave., National City, Calif. 92050
(sponsored by Paul Hamm)
2865 HOOD, Herbert H. . . . . .
(sponsored by Al Baber)
2866 PAES, George . . . . . 4459 Utah St., San Diego, Calif. 92116
(sponsored by Dorothy Baber)
2867 SZENEGETO, Steve R. . . . . 7062 Gain Dr., San Diego, Calif. 92119
(sponsored by Phil Centman)
2868 WOLFORD, Kirk S. . . . . 1069½ S. Main St., Fallbrook, Calif. 92028
(sponsored by the secretary)
2969 SCHENEWERK, Greg . . . . 1006 Hemlock, Imperial Beach, Calif. 92032
(sponsored by Paul Moulton)
2870 FAIRBANK, Dave . . . . .10038 Paramount Blvd., Downey, Calif. 90241
(sponsored by the secretary)
2871 VOIGHTMAN, Ronald P. . . . . 121 S. First St., Barstow, Calif. 92311
(sponsored by James Briggs)
2872 CHOYKE, George R. . . . . 4157 Adams Ave., San Diego, Calif. 92116
(sponsored by R. V. Kuhn)

RE-INSTATEMENTS

2751 JACKEL, Carl J. . . . . 1525 E. Wellington Ave., Santa Ana, Calif. 92701

DECEASED

147 SEXTON, William J. . . . . Santa Maria, Calif.
684 NICHOLS, Kenneth L. . . . . Laguna Hills, Calif.
900 THORPE, Richard F. . . . . San Diego, Calif.
1255 HAWEKOTTE, J. Richard . . . . . Glendora, Calif.
1531 MARTELL, Louis Wn. Jr. . . . . Concord, Calif.

RESIGNED

2102 RUIZ, Renato R. . . . . El Paso, Texas
2605 MOZER, Todd . . . . . Berkeley, Calif.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership, Aug. 10, 1974	1226
New Members, Aug. 11 to Nov. 10, 1974	39
Re-Instatements	1
Deceased	5
Resigned	2
Suspended for Non-payment 1974 Dues	83
Net Membership, Nov. 10, 1974	1176

Total Life Memberships 113

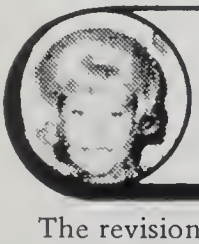
From the Desk of the Treasurer

Stuart T. Edgerton, CSNA 14-4

APRIL 19 to NOVEMBER 1, 1974

Balance brought forward		$ 3,247.41
Receipts:		
Dues	985.00	
Money Talks	149.00	
Mirror, Pin Backs and PNC's	327.91	
San Francisco Mint Round Medals	184.90	
San Francisco Mint Octagonal (Silver)	3150.66	
San Francisco Mint Octagonal (Bronze)	114.20	
Presidential Medal	15.00	
*Bourse Fees and Deposits 56th Convention	325.00	
*Bourse Fees and Deposits 55th Convention	3857.50	
Gain from 54th Convention	2203.99	
Sale of 55th Convention Medals	.50	
Sale of 54th Convention Medals	983.50	
Lost Locks	5.00	
Interest	1.92	
Total Receipts	12,304.08	$12,304.08
TOTAL		$15,551.49
Less 54th Bourse Fees and Deposits in Last Report		3,025.00
		$12,526.49
Disbursements:		
President's Expenses	218.55	
Castenholz for books	1500.00	
San Francisco Mint Error Medals	3746.01	
Calcoin News (2 issues)	2538.04	
50 restrikes San Francisco Medals	402.98	
Stands for dealers signs	83.50	
CSNA Banner	246.28	
San Francisco Mint Octagonal Medals	645.00	
Engraving 2 medals	88.42	
Bourse refunds for 55th convention	50.00	
ANA Group Insurance (4 shows)	213.00	
Treasurer's and Secretary's Expenses	246.70	
55th Convention Expenses	1015.64	
Additional 54th Convention Expenses	299.40	
Additional Moderator's Expenses 6th Symposium	20.71	
Plastic for Centennial Medals	15.00	
1 reworked silver medal	72.50	
Numbering additional S. F. Medals	5.20	
Spray for Roy Hill	28.22	
Engraving Life Medal Card	1.50	
Total Disbursements:	11,436.65	
Balance in Commercial Account		$ 1,089.84
Balance in Savings Account (Interest 451.42)		15,275.49
NET WORTH		$16,365.33

*This figure does not include bourse fees collected at the 55th convention.



Librarian's Report

Dorothy E. Beaulieu, CSNA 974

The revision of the library catalogue is progressing satisfactorily and should be completed by early spring. In the meantime, a random sampling of some of the new books to be listed is included here.

The library contains many important works that are available to CSNA members for only

the cost of postage. Knowledge is there for the taking.

Many thanks to W. B. Keeney, Merle Crandall and Charles Colver for their generous donations.

B-88 Bates, George E. — Byzantine Coins.
C-69 Ciani, Louis — Les Monnaies Royales Francaises de Hugues Capet A Louis XVI.
D-31 Delmonte, A. — Le Benelux D'Or.
D-33 Davis, W. J. — Nineteenth Century Token Coinage.
E-23 Engstrom, J. E. — The Medallic Portraits of Sir Winston Churchill.
F-34 Funck, W. — Die Notmunzen der Deutschen Stadte, Gemeinde, Driese, Lander, etc.
G-37 Gardiakos, S. — The Coinage of Modern Greece, Crete, The Ionian Island & Cyprus.
G-38 Glaser, Lynn — Counterfeiting In America.
H-55 Huntoon, Peter — The National Bank Note Issues of 1929-35.
H-60 Hobson, Burton — Historic Gold Coins of the World.
K-32 King, E. A. — Masonic Chapter Pennies.
K-43 Keller, Arnold — Das Papiergeld der Deutschen Kolonien.
K-49 Kienast, G. W. — The Medals of Karl Goetz.
N-47 North, J. J. — English Hammered Coinage Vols. I & II.
O-8 Oka, M. — Silver Crowns of the Far East.
O-9 Oliva, Jose & Sanchez, L. — Catalogo De Los Reales De a Ocho.
P-26 Platbarzdis, A. — Coins and Notes of Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania.
P-31 Peck, C. W. — English Copper, Tin and Bronze Coins in the British Museum. 1558-1958.
S-99 Stevenson, S. W. — A Dictionary of Roman Coins.
V-6 Valentine, W. H. — Copper Coins of India, Parts I & II.
V-7 Valentine, W. H. — Modern Copper Coins of the Muhammadan States.

The following is an initial listing of numismatic books now available to CSNA members. The price per book is indicated in the price column. Add 50 cents per book for handling and postage. Requests for these books will be honored in the order they are received. Orders will be filled until the supply is exhausted. All books in this listing are new. Please make your check payable to CSNA and mail to WILLIAM O. WISSLEAD, 2053 Cypress Avenue, Santa Ana, Calif. 92707.

Anglo-Hanoverian Coinage — R. B. Smith	$ 1.25
Anglo-Irish Coinage, Earliest — William O'Sullivan	.75
Anglo-Saxon Pennies — Michael Dolley	.50
Australian Commonwealth Coinage — J. Hunt Deacon & Kenneth Irons	.50
Ancient Athens, Coins of — D. M. Kraay	.90
Australasian Tokens and Coins — Dr. Arthur Andrews	2.00
Anglo-Gallic Gold Coins — R. D. Beresford-Jones	2.50
Ancient Greek Coins, Descriptive Catalog of — G. F. Hill	5.00
Australian Bank Notes, 1817-1963 — G. W. Tomlinson	3.15
Allied Military Currency — James Rutlader	1.00
Anglo-Saxon Pennies — J. D. A. Thompson	8.25
Anglo-Saxon and Norman Coins — C. E. Blunt & Michael Dolley	5.00
Anglo-Saxon and Norman Coins — A. J. H. Gunstone	6.25
Ancient British and Anglo-Saxon Coins, Part 1 — Philip Grierson	3.15
Alaska's Coinage Through the Years, 1st Edition — Maurice M. Gould & Kenneth Bressett	.50
Banknotes and Banking in the Isle of Man, 1788-1970 — Ernest Quarmby	3.50
Bronze Coinage of Great Britain — Michael J. Freeman	3.75
Bushell and Harman of Lumdy — Wyndham S. Boundy	1.15
Bank of England Treasury Notes, 1694-1970 — D. M. Miller	1.25
Bryan Money — Farran Zerbe (ANA Reprint)	.50
Coins of Ecuador, 1833-1969 — Dale Allan Seppa	.50
Coins and Tokens of Ireland, Standard Catalogue of (Part 3) B. A. Seaby	1.60
Coins and Notes of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania — A. Platbarzdis	9.00
Chinese Currency — Fredrik Schjoth	6.25
Copper Coins of German States — O. P. Eklund	1.00
Copper Coins of Sweden — O. P. Eklund	1.00
Coinages of Edward I & II — J. J. North	.80
Coinage of William Wood, 1722-1733 — Philip Nelson	1.00

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Quarter Century

The beginning of Calcoin News was the CSNA bulletin typed on Leonel Panosh's trusty typewriter and then mimeographed. That started back in June 1947 with the first issue . . . and we've been looking back at each subsequent issue, just one quarter century earlier, since then.

With the Winter 1974 Calcoin News we noted that the early predecessor was finally printed letterpress (professionally) in January 1949. This permitted use of the first half-tone photograph showing another "first," Dr. Calvert L. Emmons, first president of CSNA. Then it was back to the mimeograph for the balance of the year.

But in January 1950 another issue was professionally printed and this time the membership received a half-tone photo of its second president, Ralph "Curly" Mitchell of Bakersfield, shown above. As CSNA's president emeritus today, we affectionately and respectfully call him "Curly" Mitchell of Fullerton. Yes, he looked younger then, but as for the hair, not much change!

Another friend and member, Dick Yeoman is shown as he appeared in The Numismatist 25 years ago. He was an ANA board member and, of course, with Whitman Publishing Co.

Chuckles

"Don't let him take your coins DAD... squirt him!!"

Economists confuse us in writing about "hard" and "easy" money. Our experience is that any kind of money is both hard and easy — hard to get and easy to spend.

Sign in a pawnshop: "Learn the true value of money; try to borrow some."

After a woman has parked her car, her big problem is determining which of the three parking meters she should put her nickel in.

Human nature is harder to change than a hundred dollar bill.

The only sure way to double your money is to fold it in half and put it back into your pocket.

There's too much month left over at the end of the money!

How about the Internal Revenue Service giving us our money back if we're not satisfied?

Many people are like money; if not kept busy, they lose interest!

Calendar of Numismatic Events

CALIFORNIA STATE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

April 25 - 27, 1975 . . . . . 56th Semi-Annual Convention
San Francisco Coin Club, Jack Tar Hotel, San Francisco
John Sears, General Chairman, P. O. Box 6028, San Francisco

Oct. 31 - Nov. 1 - 2, 1975 . . . . . 57th Semi-Annual Convention
San Gabriel Valley Coin Club, Pasadena Hilton, Pasadena
Henri Heller, General Chairman, 5611 N. Cambury, Temple City 91780
Auction, Numismatic Enterprises, P. O. Box 365, South Laguna 92677

April 23 - 25, 1976 . . . . . 58th Semi-Annual Convention
Fresno Numismatic Society, Fresno Hilton, Fresno
Ruth M. Phillips, General Chairman, 227 N. Duke Ave., Fresno 93727

Nov. 5 - 6, 1976 . . . . . 59th Semi-Annual Convention
San Bernardino County Coin Club, Palm Springs Riviera Hotel, Palm Springs
Randy Briggs, General Chairman, P. O. Box 1161, San Bernardino 92402
Nona Moore, Bourse Chairman, P. O. Box 245, Fontana 92402

Spring 1977 . . . . . 60th Semi-Annual Convention
San Jose (tentative)

Fall 1977 . . . . . 61st Semi-Annual Convention
Covina Coin Club
Ethyl Lenhert, General Chairman, P. O. Box 63, Upland 91786

Spring 1978 . . . . . 62nd Semi-Annual Convention

Fall 1978 . . . . . 63rd Semi-Annual Convention
Bay Cities Coin Club, Santa Monica
Culver City Coin Club, joint sponsor
Phil Iverson, General Chairman, P. O. Box 1252, Santa Monica 90401

Jim Betton, Bourse Coordinator, P. O. Box 533, Santa Monica, California 90406
To be contacted for bourse application to any CSNA convention.

OTHERS

Jan. 12 . . . . . 12th Annual Coin Show
San Bernardino County Coin Club, Convention Center
Albert Hall, Chairman, P. O. Box 1028, Colton 92324

Jan. 18 - 19 . . . . . 7th Annual Coin Show
San Jose Coin Club, Mediterranean Center of San Jose Hyatt House
Frank Neilsen, Bourse Chairman, P. O. Box 5621, San Jose 95150

Feb. 13 - 16 . . . . . 20th Annual Convention
Numismatic Association of Southern California
Los Angeles Hilton, Figueroa and Wilshire
James Waldorf, General Chairman, 5408 Amigo Avenue, Tarzana 91356
Ray Reinoehl, Bourse Chairman, 10727 Samoa Ave., Tujunga 91042

Feb. 23 . . . . . 5th Annual Coin Show
Cupertino Coin Club, Cupertino High School, 10100 Finch Ave., Cupertino

March 8 . . . . . 7th Annual CSNA Symposium
Convention and Performing Arts Center, 202 "C" Street, San Diego
Al Baber, General Chairman, 611 Oakwood, El Cajon 92021

March 9 . . . . . All Day Coin Show
San Diego Inter-Club Numismatic Council
North Park Recreational Center, San Diego

March 30 . . . . . 7th Annual Coin Show
Salinas Valley Coin Club, Masonic Temple, 48 San Joaquin St., Salinas
Gordon Rammer, General Chairman, 566 Sutter St., Salinas

April 12 - 13, 1975 . . . . . 9th Annual Coin Show
Eureka Coin Club, Redwood Acres, Fairgrounds, Eureka
Harry Dixon, Bourse Chairman, P. O. Box 505, Eureka 95501